

I do not believe that the interests of the American public are being served in the slightest by the FCC's proposed deregulation of corporate ownership of newspaper and television stations based in the same geographic area. While in times of economic downturn, we often rally behind notions of cost-cutting and the streamline of industry, the effects of this proposal are simply biased toward Big Business. The FCC's primary obligation should be to the citizens of this country who would benefit from a diverse set of news sources and media outlets. The centralization of media shrinks an already small arena of news reporting. Americans will be ill served by this proposal. I condemn elected proponents of this deregulation and demand that the FCC halt all progress toward such actions. I thank you for your time.